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Promoting deeper root development, reducing nitrogen fertilizer usage, imparting drought resistance, and increasing tolerance to adverse soil conditions in plants.

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